shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the previously executed application-agreement and these regulations in the same manner and to the same extent as though it had requalified hereunder.

§317.5 Termination of qualification.

(a) By the United States. The Secretary of the Treasury or a delegate may terminate the qualification of an issuing agent at any time, upon due notice to the agent. If this action is taken, the agent will be required to make a final accounting for the balance of savings bond stock for which it is charged, based on the records of the designated Federal Reserve Bank. The agent must surrender all unissued bonds and remit the issue price of any remaining bonds included in its accountability.

(b) At request of issuing agent. A designated Federal Reserve Bank will terminate the qualification of an issuing agent upon its request, provided the agent is in full compliance with the terms of its agreement and the applicable regulations and instructions, and renders a final accounting.

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§317.6 Issuance of bonds.

(a) General. Each issuing agent shall comply with all regulations and instructions issued by the Department of the Treasury directly, or through the designated Federal Reserve Bank, concerning the sale, inscription, dating, and validation of bonds; the acceptance, processing, and transmittal of over-the-counter purchase orders; the remittance of sales proceeds; and the disposition of paper and electronic registration records. No issuing agent shall have authority to sell bonds other than as provided in the offering circular.

(b) Fees. Each issuing agent, other than a Federal agency, will be paid fees. Only issuing agents are eligible to collect fees. With prior approval, agents that are authorized to inscribe bonds and receive fee payments will also be paid a bonus for presorting savings bond mailings. Schedules reflecting the amount of the fees and presort bonuses, and the basis on which they

are computed and paid, will be published separately in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(c) No charge to customers. Any issuing agent that accepts fees from the Department of the Treasury for selling savings bonds, and/or accepting overthe-counter purchase orders, shall not make any charge to customers for the same service.

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§317.7 Obtaining and accounting for bond stock.

An issuing agent that is authorized to inscribe bonds sold over-the-counter may obtain bond stock from the designated Federal Reserve Bank. The bond stock is, at all times, the property of the United States. The organization shall be fully accountable for the bond stock consigned to it in accordance with all regulations and instructions issued by the Department of the Treasury.

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§ 317.8 Remittance of sales proceeds and registration records.

An issuing agent shall account for and remit bond sales proceeds and registration records promptly in accordance with regulations and instructions issued by the Department of the Treasury, either directly or through the designated Federal Reserve Banks. Failure to comply with these instructions may subject an agent to penalties, including termination of its qualification as an issuing agent.

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§ 317.9 Role of Federal Reserve Banks.

(a) Role as fiscal agents. In their capacity as fiscal agents of the United States, the Federal Reserve Banks referred to below are authorized to perform such duties, including the issuance of instructions and forms, as may be necessary to fulfill the purposes and requirements of these regulations.

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(b) The following Federal Reserve Offices have been designated to provide savings bond services:

Servicing office	Reserve districts served	Geographic area served
Federal Reserve Bank, Buffalo Branch, P.O. Box 961, Buffalo, NY 14240.	New York, Boston	CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ (northern half), NY (City & State), RI, VT, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.
Federal Reserve Bank, Pittsburgh Branch, P.O. Box 867, Pittsburgh, PA 15230.	Cleveland, Phila- delphia.	DE, KY (eastern half), NJ (southern half), OH, PA, WV (northern panhandle).
Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, P.O. Box 27622, Richmond, VA 23261.	Richmond, Atlanta	AL, DC, FL, LA (southern half), MD, MS (southern half), NC, SC, TN (eastern half), VA, WV, (except northern panhandle).
Federal Reserve Bank of Min- neapolis, 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis MN 55401.	Minneapolis, Chi- cago.	IA, IL (northern half), IN (northern half), MI, MN, MT, ND, SD, WI.
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64198.	Dallas, San Fran- cisco, Kansas City, St. Louis.	AK, AR, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, IL (southern half), IN (southern half), KS, KY (western half), LA (northern half), MO, MS (northern half), NE, NM, NV, OK, OR, TN (western half), TX, WA, WY, UT and GU.

- (c) Specific activities of designated Federal Reserve Banks. The specific activities of designated Federal Reserve Banks include:
 - (1) Qualifying issuing agents;
- (2) Supplying agents with bond stock, maintaining records of agent accountability, and monitoring compliance with stock consignment rules;
- (3) Instructing agents regarding the sale and issue of bonds, the custody and control of bond stock, and the accounting for and remittance of sales proceeds; and
- (4) Providing guidelines covering the amount of bond stock agents may ordinarily requisition and maintain.

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§317.10 Reservation.

The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time, or from time to time, supplement or amend the terms of these regulations.

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